Nehru Yuva Kendras along with Scheme of National Service Volunteers are functioning in 14 districts of Jammu & Kashmir. A sum of Rs.1.27 crore was incurred on these schemes. A programmes for visit of Kashmir rural youth to other parts of the country was also implemented at cost of Rs. 0.56 crore. Sports Authority of India (SAI) has a SAI Training Centre and has adopted two schools under National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC) scheme in the State of Jammu & Kashmir.

Monitoring voluntary organisations receiving funds through NYK

†2205. DR. CHHATTARPAL SINGH LODHA: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of voluntary organisations receiving funds through Nehru Yuva Kendra against whom complaint of irregularities have been received during the last five years, the State-wise details thereof;

(b) the action taken thereon and the names of the organisations against whom complaints have been received;

(c) whether action has also been initiated against those offices who had recommended the proposals of the organizations; and

(d) the mechanism in place for monitoring the voluntary organizations receiving funds through Nehru Yuva Kendra?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI SUNIL DUTT): (a) The Voluntary Organisations are not receiving any funds from Nehru Yuva Kendras. However, applications of some voluntary organisations for seeking financial assistance from the Ministry were recommended by Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Guidelines for paying more importance to sports

2206. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to frame guidelines for schools in the country to take sports seriously so that students are not stressed out by heavy burden of books;

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(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is proposed to ask States to open a big sports school with hostel facilities in each district for students who excel in their individual sport; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI SUNIL DUTT): (a) and (b) Central Board of Secondary Education follows the National Policy on Education, which provides adequate thrust on Physical and Health Education. This subject has been made an integral part of the core curriculum for Classes I to X and the students are evaluated through the mode of internal assessment by the schools concerned. At the Senior School level (Classes XI & XII), the Board offers Physical Education as a separate elective subject in the academic stream. In addition to the above, the Board also promotes sports through organised sports activities at various levels for its affiliated schools.

For Classes I to X, the assessment is reflected in the Achievement Record (for Classes I to VIII) and in the Certificate of School Based Evaluation (Classes IX & X) through a five point scale.

(c) and (d) There is no such proposal under consideration.

Proposals received by NYKs from voluntary organisations

†2207. DR. CHHATTRAPAL SINGH LODHA: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise, U.T.-wise and district-wise number of proposals submitted by voluntary organisations to Nehru Yuva Kendras during the last five years;

(b) the names of these organisations and the details of the proposal made by them;

(c) the number of organisations whose proposals were recommended and forwarded to Government of India alongwith those which were rejected at district level; and

(d) the reasons for rejecting the proposals of voluntary organisations at district level?

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